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1. Road no. 43, along the route Orosháza - Gsánadapaca - Békéscsaba, is part of the Soviet strategic north-south road and is 46 km. long. In 1952 part of this road was rebuilt and plans were made to rebuild completely and shorten this road. Only a section of 20 km. between Orosháza and Békéscsaba has been rebuilt thus far, however. This is known as the Great North-South Road. 25X1
2. [REDACTED] 25X1
[REDACTED] With the rebuilding of 25.5 km. of this road the facilities on the Great North-South Road have been improved. The former macadam road has been rebuilt and 9.5 km. of this section have received an entire new stone bed. 25X1
[REDACTED] The sidewalks have also been rebuilt and joined to the main road, thus giving 11 km. a width of 9.5 meters. The road has an excellent asphalt covering making it smooth and in excellent condition. 25X1
[REDACTED] It is suggested to revise the plans for the section Orosháza - Csorvás - Békéscsaba so as to shorten the road by 10 km. and make circulation smoother. [REDACTED] 25X1 25X1
3. Road no. 75 in the Transdanubian section has now been split up and the section Vasvár - Zalabér has been given the number 753. [REDACTED] 25X1
[REDACTED] this road has been repaired and has a hard surface. It was in good condition throughout the summer of 1954 and only in October were a few surface breaks observed. [REDACTED] 25X1
[REDACTED] in all probability there would be only small frost damage as the road was practically out of use throughout the winter. 25X1
4. Road no. 411 follows the route Szolnok - Kocsoros - Szandaszőlő - entrance to Szolnok airfield - Ujszanda - Rákoczi falva - Rákoczi ujfalu - Martfa - Tiszaföldvár - Cibakháza entrance road to Nagyrév - entrance road to Tiszainoka - Tiszakürt. Its total length is 47 km.
5. The Szolnok airfield has been enlarged, and workers report the installation of underground fuel tanks and an underground repair shop between Szandaszőlő and the airfield. Although complete reconstruction was reported in 1952,

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heavy tanks caused damages in the summer maneuvers of 1953. In spite of immediate repairs the road was scheduled for complete rebuilding in 1954. This work has not yet begun.

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Breaks between Ujszanda and Rákoczfalva have been repaired. Holes between Martfű and Tiszaföldvár have been filled and covered with cement. Breaks between Cibakháza and Nagyrevi entrance have been repaired. Between the Tiszainoka entrance and Tiszakürt minor repairs have been carried out. Frost damages have been repaired throughout.

Summary: Road has been repaired on entire length. Smooth surface, no hindrance to traffic.

Suggestions: Entire rebuilding of this road is necessary before the end of 1956.

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6. Road no. 411a follows the route Szolnok - Szolnok hospital - Szolnok factory district - Rotpart - Toszeg military camp - Toszeg - Tiszavárkony - Vezseny. Its total length is 27.5 km. This road is of importance because of the sugar refinery 4 km. from Szolnok and the Szolnok Chemical plant 3 km. further on. About 11 km. from Szolnok and 3 km. from Toszeg there is a military camp with a modern repair shop. The camp is guarded by members of the former partisan organization who still wear their old uniforms. One kilometer south of Tiszavárkony is a smaller pioneer camp of the Partisan Organization for river-crossing training. The road was only a dirt track before the war and received a macadam cover after the war. The road is in good condition between Szolnok and Szolnok factory district, a distance of 7 km.

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Third-class dirt track from Vezseny to Toszeg. Macadam road with hard surface between Toszeg and Toszeg camps. Second-class macadam road between Toszeg camp and Szolnok factory district. Fairly good condition between Szolnok factory district and Szolnok hospital and excellent hard surface between Szolnok Hospital and Szolnok town.

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7. Road no. 421 follows the route Szentes - Berekhát - Szegvár camps - Barattyosi repair shop - Hodmezővásárhely. Its total length is 26 km. This road, after many repairs and rebuilding between 1952 and 1954 and widening to 6 or 8 meters including the sidewalks, seems now to be in a satisfactory condition.

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18.5 km. of this road have been entirely rebuilt, modernized and enlarged to standard width. The road is in very good condition.

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